1 2 3 4 5 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT 6 WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON AT SEATTLE 7 UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, CASE NO. CR23-0169-KKE 8 Plaintiff(s), ORDER GRANTING MOTION TO 9 **CONTINUE** v. 10 CHRISTOPHER M. MOLLER, 11 Defendant(s). 12 This matter comes before the Court on Defendant's unopposed motion to continue the trial 13 date and pretrial motions deadline. Dkt. No. 15. The Court has considered the reasons for the 14 motion, the agreement of the parties, and the remainder of the record, and finds that: 15 1. Taking into account the exercise of due diligence, a failure to grant a continuance in 16 this case would deny defense counsel the reasonable time necessary for effective 17 preparation due to counsel's need for more time to review the evidence, consider 18 possible defenses, and gather evidence material to the defense, as set forth in 18 U.S.C. 19 $\S 3161(h)(7)(B)(iv)$; and 20 21 2. A failure to grant such a continuance in this proceeding would likely result in a miscarriage of justice, as set forth in 18 U.S.C. § 3161(h)(7)(B)(i); and 22 23 24

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- 3. The additional time requested is a reasonable period of delay, as Defendant has requested more time to prepare for trial, to investigate the matter, to gather evidence material to the defense, and to consider possible defenses; and
- 4. The ends of justice will be best served by a continuance, and the ends of justice outweigh the best interests of the public and the defendant in any speedier trial, as set forth in 18 U.S.C. § 3161(h)(7)(A); and
- 5. The additional time requested between the current trial date of February 20, 2024, and the new trial date is necessary to provide defense counsel the reasonable time necessary to prepare for trial, considering counsel's schedule and all of the fact set forth above.

Defendant's unopposed motion (Dkt. No. 15) is therefore GRANTED. The trial date is continued to 9:30 a.m. on July 29, 2024. Pretrial motions, including motions in limine, shall be filed no later than June 19, 2024.

IT IS ORDERED that the period of delay from the date of this order to the new trial date of July 29, 2024, is excludable time under 18 U.S.C. §§ 3161(h)(7)(A) and (h)(7)(B)(iv).

Dated this 2nd day of January, 2024.

Kymberly K. Evanson

United States District Judge

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